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For : TRANSMISSION ACTUATOR AND CONTROL METHOD THEREFORE

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Dear Sir:

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Copies of the listed foreign patent documents are attached. As the Office has waived the requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication, a copy of the listed U.S. patent application publication document is not included with the submission of attached Form PTO 1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

An English translation of the abstract of the non-English document is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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